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U SEIN CHAW, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Commerce and Supply, explained that so far transit trade to China through Burma was not illegal and that the Ministry of Commerce and Supply was issuing permits for certain goods imported for re-export and has permitted tires, tubes, and automobile spare parts to pass through Burma. Colonel HLA AUNG said that the War Office is issuing movement permits for such items. The Home Secretary said there was no legal authority under which this was being done. It was agreed that permits for transit trade should be issued only by the Ministry of Commerce and Supply.

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